

A
PROCLIMATION,
BY THE WHICH IS
prohibited in the research of the Pas-
sengers Ships betweene France and Eng-
land, not to vse any disorder in words nor
deedes, neither to vse any bad or slaunderous spee-
ches of the Kings Maiestie of Great
Britaine, &c. nor his Sub-
jects in any manner
whatsoeuer.

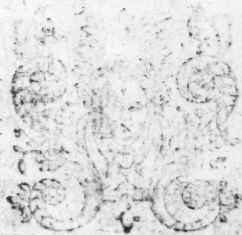
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The generall Estates of the vniited
Low-coultreys. To all those that
shall see these presents or heare them
to be read, send greeting and let to
wete, or make knowne. Whereas we
are informed, that in the research of Passengers
ships between France & England by the Ships of
warre, which are in seruice of these Countreys, to
the end to know whether in the same there be any
Souldiors going towardes the Enemy, or other
persons actually of the seruice of the Enemy, many
abuses & wrongs are offered by the Ships Com-
panie, and others which do aboord the said Passen-
gers Ships, as beating, thrusting, wronging, and
repling of the Passengers contrarie to our order,
good intention, instruction and all reason. Like-
wise that the Ships Company through ignorance,
and otherwise in the meane time vpon the Ships,
but especially in the sayd research, doe speake hardly
of the Kings Maiestie of Great Britaine &c. from
whom the vniited Provinces, and the Inhabitants
of the same, many yeeres haue enioyed, and as yet
doe enioy many Royall fauors and pleasures; vn-
der pretence that his Maiestie hath made Peace
with the King of Spaine: notwithstanding his
Maiestie by reason thereof, hath not changed, alte-
red, nor diminished his affections towardes these
Countreys in the least point, wherein they doe not
onely wronge his Maiestie, but also vs the In-
habitants of the vniited Provinces in generall. For-
asmuch as euerie one is holden and bound to ende-
uore to requite his Maiesties good affection & great
fauors with due thanks, and the same to win and
conserue

conferue for these Countreys, and that such misrules
and vnlawful research, as also the said bad speeches
and abuses might happen to breede a discontent-
ment between his Maiestie and his Subiects with
the Inhabitants or the vnitied Provinces, to the
preiudice of the welfare of these Countreys, wherein
it is needfull by times by all meanes to foresee.
Wherefore haue we expressly forbidden and prohi-
bited, doe forbid and prohibite by these presents all
and singuler of what condition or qualitie they be,
and namely the Commanders shippe, Captaines,
shippe Officers, and Mariners of the ships of war
of our Fleete, which doe lye in waight in the nar-
row Seas and vpon the coasts of Flaunders, and
all others which shall be commaunded for the re-
search of the sayd Passengers ships between Eng-
land and Fraunce, not to vse any disorder or vnlaw-
full meanes by words or deeds, but to doe the same
with all discretion without beating, thrusting,
wronging, or vsling any one. And further we doe
forbid all the Inhabitants of the vnitied Provinces
and others frequenting the same: as also all those as
are in our seruice by water or by land, not to vse any
bad or inuiurious speeches of the Kings most excel-
lent Maiestie of Great Britaine, &c. nor of his sub-
iects in any manner of wise, nor to slander nor im-
pute them with any calumnious speeches, vnder a-
ny pretence whatsoeuer, vpon paine to be punished,
(as disturbers of the Common welfare) in bodie and
goods, without contradiction or delay. Provided
alwayes, that we doe not herewith exempt those
of what Nation or condition soeuer they be, which
shall found by the sayd research in y^e Passengers
Ships

Ships going to the service of the King of Spaine, or of the Arch-Dukes, nor those which shalbe found to be in their service, but our expresse intention and commission is, that such shalbe dealt withall and used according to the order to that effect giuen in the flete. And to the end no man doe pretend to be ignorant of these presents, we doe ordaine and giue commission to our welbeloued the Estates, Gouvernors, and committed counsell of the severall Provinces of Gelderland, and Countie of Sutsen, Holland and Westfreesland, Sealand and Wrecht, Freesland, Ouerissell, the Towne of Greenighen, and places adioynning, and all others Justices, Officers, and Ministers being thereunto required, to make knowne, proclayme and publish this our order in all places, where it is vsuall to publish & proclayme, charging also the Gouvernors, Presidents, and provinciall Counsell: likewise the Colledges of the Admiraltie, the fiscalladvocats, and also the generall Attorneys, and all other Officers, Judges, and Justices of the sayd Countreys, and likewise the Admiral, Vice-Admirals, Chiefetaines, Colkonels, Commaunders, Captaines, and Officers to accomplish, and cause to be accomplished this our order, and to proceed, & cause to be proceeded against these which shall doe any thing to the contrarie, without any fauour, grace, dissimbling, or forbearance, for such is our expresse meaning. Thus done and concluded by the sayd Lords, the generall Estates being assembled in S^t Grauenhaghen, the Nineteenth of July Anno. 1605. And was subscribed in E luekema Vi.

Vnder is written by order of the sayd Lords the
 generall Estates subscribed, *G. Arssen.*